

THOMAS J. CAMP

JANUARY 7, 1925.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed

Mr. McKENZIE, from the Committee on Military Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 3416]

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred S. 3416, a bill to authorize the appointment of Thomas James Camp as a major of Infantry, Regular Army, having considered the same, report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

A similar bill (H. R. 9553) was favorably reported by your committee on May 31, 1924. S. 3416 was passed by the Senate on May 31, 1924, and referred to the House Military Affairs Committee on June 7. However, the Senate bill was not acted upon by the committee and on January 2, 1925, the House passed the bill H. R. 9553.

In view of the action already taken by the House on a similar bill, it is urged that this measure carrying the Senate number be passed.

The report of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, as well as the House committee, is made a part of this report as follows:

[Senate Report No. 672, Sixty-eighth Congress, first session]

The Committee on Military Affairs, to which was referred the bill (S. 3416) to authorize the appointment of Thomas James Camp as a major of Infantry, Regular Army, having considered the same, report thereon favorably with the recommendation that it do pass without amendment.

This bill has the approval of the War Department, as is shown in the following letter from the Secretary of War addressed to Senator William B. McKinley:

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, May 29, 1924.

HON. WILLIAM B. MCKINLEY, *United States Senate.*

MY DEAR SENATOR MCKINLEY: With reference to our recent conversation concerning the desire of Maj. Thomas J. Camp, late of the Infantry, to be re-appointed in the Army, I have examined further into the matter of his separation from the service and have concluded that action upon his resignation was taken without full consideration of his application for further leave of absence.

In view of this fact I feel justified in advocating his return to the service, and therefore recommended favorable action on the accompanying bill for his benefit.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN W. WEEKS, *Secretary of War.*

[House Report No. 915, Sixty-eighth Congress, first session]

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred H. R. 9553, a bill to authorize the appointment of Thomas James Camp as a major of the Infantry, Regular Army, having considered the same, report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

This bill simply grants to the President the authority to reappoint in the Regular Army Thomas James Camp. It appears that Major Camp had forwarded to the department by mail under date of October 7, 1923, his resignation, and following that within a few days wired the department to disregard his letter of resignation. It appears further that the War Department acted promptly on his letter, and his resignation was accepted the 12th of October, 1923. In view of this, and his record as an officer, the War Department feels that he should be reappointed in the Army.

The bill further provides that he shall receive no benefits for service that was rendered prior to the appointment under the provisions of this bill.

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House Report No. 173, Fifty-eighth Congress, first session

The Committee on Military Affairs, to which was referred the bill (S. 3416) to authorize the appointment of Thomas James Camp as a major of Infantry, Regular Army, having considered the same, report favorably with the recommendation that it do pass without amendment.

The bill has the approval of the War Department as is shown in the following letter from the Secretary of War addressed to Senator William B. McKinley:

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, May 9, 1923.

Hon. William B. McKinley, United States Senate.

My dear Senator McKinley: With reference to our recent conversation concerning the career of Major Thomas A. Camp, late of the Infantry, to be reappointed in the Army, I have examined further into the matter of his resignation from the service and have concluded that action upon his resignation was taken without full consideration of his application for further leave of absence.